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Official Text Called Unsatisfac-

Comply, Say Officials.

Single Hopeful Sign Removed by

uation for President.

Publication of Text in Aus-

tria-Lansing to Handle SIt-

Austria's reply to the American

tory and Vigorous Reply Will

Give One More Chance to

# PICKS COFFIN THEN COMMITS SUCIDE NEAR Competitive Wall Scaling, Tar-

Man Giving Name of Alexander Troop Leadership Competition Ruf Arranges for His Own Cremation, and Leaves Note on Receipt.

Several Pedestrians See Man Close to 332 Pennsylvania ments of military science. Avenue-Dies Instantly.

An aged man walked into the undertaking establishment of J William Lee, 332 Pennsylvania avenue, about noon today. He selected a coffin and arranged for the cremation of his own body, taking a receipt made out in the name of Alexander Ruf. He then walked to the pavement, where he superintendent of schools, in conblew out his brains.

The police are trying to locate

man was about seventy years old, and neatly dressed in dark clothes. His hair and muswere white, and he wore

An Emergency Hospital ambulance responded and Dr. Sanderson worked over him in vain.

came into his place and selected a coffin and discussed terms for cremation. paying for them in cash. He gave no

"It is my request that when I die my cmains be cremated at J. William Lee's crematorium, the expenses having

been paid for by me."
Several pedestrians witnessed the suicide. Policeman G. A. Cotten, of the slxth precinct, was in the neighborhood and, alarmed by the shot, reached the man a few seconds after he had

hood and, alarmed by the shot, reached the man a few seconds after he had hot himself. He had used a .32-caliber revolver which had originally contained three cartridges. One of the cartridges had been discharged when the revolver was found by the dead man's side.

When Ruf emerged from the undertaking establishment he walked a few steps south of the dorway to a picket fence which runs across a vacant lot. Leaning against the fence, he fired the shot which ended his life.

Police of the Sixth precinct said they learned the sticide was Alexander Ruf, of 229 E street northwest. He had oc

of 220 E street northwest. He had occupied a room there since September. Persons in the house who knew him said he was an old soldier, with no living relatives, and that he had talked

## MRS. STOUT BEGINS SENTENCE IN JAIL

Where She Attempted to Kill Self.

Margaret Stout, sentenced during the summerr to two years imprisonment at Occoousn, began her sentence there this Fog Responsible for Triple Colafternoon after her appearance in Criminal Court No. 1, to which she was brought by United States Marshal Henry Behrendt this morning from De-

Chief Justice Covingion, upon the plea of the woman, directed that she be incarcerated in the hospital ward of the jail until her injuries, self-inflicted Detroit three weeks ago, are im-

Attorney Michael J. Colbert, appear-

#### Judge Aukam Named For Another Four Years

President Wilson today sent to the Senate the name of George C. Aukam for reappointment as one of the Municiral Court judges of the District of Co-

#### Loss of Zeppelin and Its Crew Reported in Holland

the entire crew was reported by travel- by Attorneys J. S. era arriving here today from Brussels. Ralph B. Fleharty.

## War Training For High School Cadets To Begin Immediately WEDDING TOBE

get Practice, and Week-End **Encampments Introduced.** 

TO CONTEST FOR OFFICERS

Will Be Conducted From January 7 to February 25.

With the opening of high schools or the New Year Washington High School cadets will find their drill work entirely reorganized. They will Shoot Himself on Sidewalk be taught war games and get horough training in all the rudi-

In the place of the close formation drills, which have been the sum total of the cadet training since the regiment was established, there will be introduced competitive wall scaling. instruction of officers in the handling of men in the field, systematic target practice, a series of marksmanship contests, week-end encampments in both spring and fall, and an encampment this summer

Announcement of these plans will be made to the assembled officers of the regiment at McKinler Manual Training School this evening.

#### Steever Military Adviser.

These plans have been worked out by S. E. Kramer, assistant junction with Lieut. E. Z. Steever, U . A. from the office of the chief of

S. A., from the office of the chief of staff, U. S. A. members of the military committee of the Board of Education, and Major Waliach McCathran, commandant of cadets.

Lieutenant Steever, during the time the new course is being established, will act as military adviser, assisting Major McCathran in putting the new plan of military training into effect. Immediately upon the assembling of the cadets after the holidays the reorganization of the course will begin. Instead of continuing the work of close formation drills for the rest of the year, they will start immediately upon competitive firing, which, will last until May 8. At the same time there will be a troop leadership competition for officers, running from January 7 to February 25.

The week-end camps will start as soon the weather permits. The place for the

GAVE NO ADDRESS.

1. William Lee, proprietor of the undertaking establishment, says the man The target practice will take place at (Continued on Page Fourteen.)





Above-LIEUT, E. Z. STEEVER,

## paying for them in cash. He gave no address. He requested a receipt made out to Alexander Ruf, at the bottom of which he wrote: The lamb request that when I die my MEXICO HOME FOR CHILDREN ENVOY TO

to Represent United States at Carranza Capital.

Henry P. Pletcher, of Pennsylvania. now United States ambassador to Chile today was nominated by President Wilson as United States ambassador to

Mr. Fletcher will succeed to a post which has been vacant since Henry Lane Wilson was recalled more than two years ago. Mr. Fletcher is a Republican and was selected for the post because of the President's desire to have in Mexico City during the period of reconstruction a man thoroughly familiar with Latin-American politics. It is understood the post which Mr. Fletcher leaves will be filled by an Indiana man inasmuch as heretofore of Mexican post always has been held a man from that State.

## Brought Back From Detroit, SIXTEEN DIE WHEN THREE TRAINS CRASH

lision Near Newcastle, Eng. Fifty Are Injured.

NEWCASTLE, England, Dec. 17 .- Sixteen persons were killed and more than tifty others injured in a triple collision today between a freight train, a pilot

Attorney Michael J. Colbert, appearing for George W. Ray, who was Mrs. Stout's bondsman, and whose bond of \$2,000 was forfeited when Mrs. Stout disappeared, asked the court to set aside the forfeiture. The court will rule on this point tomorrow.

Ludge Aukam Named today between a freight train, a pilot engine, and a passenger train in a heavy fog near Jarrow.

Four coaches overturned and were completely incinerated.

Sixteen corpses, so badly charred as to make identification almost impossible, had been recovered early this afternoon. A trainload of nurses and physicians was dispatched from Newcastle. The train groped its way down the coast in one of the densest fogs in months.

#### Verdict Given for \$500 For Death of Infant

Consent verdict for \$500 was returned in Justice Gould's court today in favor of Joseph Hall, administrator of the estate of Mildred A. Hall, in his suit against the Georgetown and Tenleytown Railway Company for \$10,000 damages.

The petitioner alleged that his infant devictor was knowled from the arms of daughter was knocked from the arms of AMSTERDAM. Dec. 17.—Destruction for mother by a Tenleytown car at Wisconsin avenue and Q street January 3, 1974, and killed. Hall was represented by Isayels by Attorneys I. S. Easby-Smith and Easby-Smith and

Ambassador to Chile Selected Contribution to "Opportunities" Fund Would Keep Mothers and "Kiddies" Together.

> Ask your boy, or your neighbor's boy, what he wants for Christmas. He will ask for skates, boxing gloves,

or some similiar article. But there are boys among the families represented in the fourteen "op-portunities" offered by the Associated Charities who would reply, with much vim. that the thing they wanted most this Christmas was their mother and a home. There are girls who would say

this Christmas was their mother and a home. There are girls who would say to the same thing.

In one specific case two boys already are in an institution. Your contribution, will help to restore them to their mother, and to make a home for them through the coming year.

"I don't contribute through charity organizations because I like to give money directly to the poor," one man told are officer of the Associated Charities recently. He was a man of great

ties recently. He was a man of great wealth. Here, the Associated Charities points out, in these fourteen "opportunities" is his chance, and your chance, to give directly. The details of each case are directly. The details of each case are outlined, and every cent of the money contributed is acknowledged publicly and then placed in a bank to be drawn

in weekly or monthly installments the use of the families indicated. Money Spent Wisely.

Not one cent is deducted from the Christmas offerings through the "opportunities" for any cause whatever, not even for postage or car fare.

Contributors are offered every facility by the Associated Charities to assure themselves the money will be spent wisely. For each family a constructive plan has been worked out. Each mother is co-operating with the Associated Charities, in the effort to rear her children so that eventually the family will be self-sustaining and the children will be able to take their places as productive citizens in the community. 'hristmas offerings through the "op-

### Installments Suggested.

One suggestion for givers was contained in a letter today from a man who volunteered \$2.50 a month for the next twelve months. The Associated Charities announced it would be glad to receive contributions on the installment

ceive contributions on the installment plan.

Another contributor asks that the name on the check for \$14 he contributed be not used. A striking thing about many of the gifts is that they are accompanied by requests that the names of the givers be not published.

Today the total contributions for Opportunity No. 1, are \$21. The other contributions are: Opportunity No. 2, \$8. Opportunity No. 3, \$19. Opportunity No. 4. \$18. Opportunity No. 5, \$20. Opportunity No. 6, \$11. Opportunity No. 7. \$6. Opportunity No. 8, \$12. Opportunity No. 9, \$6. Opportunity No. 10, \$7. Opportunity No. 11, \$6. Opportunity No. 12, \$6. 6; Opportunity No. 8, \$12; Opportunity No. 9, \$6; Opportunity No. 10, \$7; Opportunity No. 12, \$6; Opportunity No. 12, \$6; Opportunity No. 13, \$8; Opportunity No.

undesignated gift from an anonymous donor of \$10 was received. (Full list of Opportunities is published on Page Six.)

Twenty-seven Guests Invited to Witness Nuptial Ceremony Nation's Chief of the Executive.

Details of the Honeymoon Are Still Kept a Secret by White House Officials-Many Presents Arrive Here Today.

President Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. Norman Bolling Galt will be married tomorrow night probably at 8:30 o'clock at Mrs. Galt's home, 1308 Twentieth street.

This was the understanding, although no official announcement of the hour of the ceremony, which has been a carefully guarded secret, had been made up to a late hour this afternoon.

There will be about twenty-seven guests at the wedding, the ceremony of which will be performed by the Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, pastor of St. Margaret's Episcopal

GUESTS ARRIVE TODAY. A number of the guests arrived in Washington today. Among them pre Mr. and Mrs. Steriing Galt, of Pommitisburg, Md., brother and sister-inlaw of the late Norman Galt: Mrs. Reginald Fendall, a brother of Sterling Dalt; Dr. William Boiling, of Louisville, Ky., brother of Mrs. Galt. Mrs. Anna Wilson Howe, sister of the Presi-

Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe E. Boling, of anama, brother and slater-in-law of Mrs. Galt, who live in Panama, arrived

#### expected in Washington late todas. Motor Here Tomorrow.

Joseph R. Wilson, the President's negrin army brother, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson.

Among the Washington guests will be Miss Margaret Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. tion to check the invasion. William Gibbs McAdoo, son-in-law and daughter of the President; Miss ricten Like other details of the wedding, the

Like other details of the wedding, the place selected for the honeymoon is being kept a protound secret. However, the fact that the wedding will be held at night would seem to subwantiate a report that has been current for several days that the wedding mill would not be made on the Mayllower.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bowes Sayre arrived at the White House last evening to remain until after the ceremony. Their small son, Francis Woodrow Sayre, did not accompany them. The President's sister, Mrs. Anna Wilson Howe, her daughter, Mrs. Cothran, and little Miss Josephine Cothran, are due today from Philadelphia.

phine Cothran, are due today from Eniladelphia.
A report was current this afternoon that the couple would leave Washington on the Chesapeake and this train at it o'clock tomorrow night and so to White Sulphur Springs.

White House attendants today were bus paramage traveling bags, and at Mrs. Galt's home florists began decorating. There was no rehearsal today There was no rehearsal today at the Galt home with numberless

#### Mrs. R. E. Bolling Comes From Panama Without Gowns for the Wedding

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Mrs. Rolfe E. Bolling, sister-in-law of Mrs. Norman Galt, President Wilson's flancee, almost admitted today that the President's wedding is to take place tomorrow

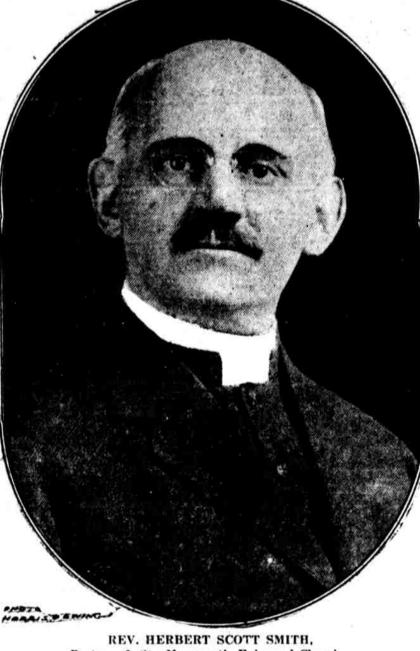
night.
Arriving from Panama today on the steamer Advance, Mrs. Bolling confided to friends that she had neither suitable wedding garments nor a wedding present. She excused herself from other engagements and hurried off, declaring she must make a quick purchase of an

## FORD'S PEACE JITNEY RELEASED BY BRITISH

Christiansand, Norway, having been rety No. 6, \$11; Opportunity No. 7. Deportunity No. 8, \$12; Opportunity No. 8, \$12; Opportunity No. 10, \$7; Opportunity No. 11, \$6; Opportunity No. 12, \$6; Opportunity No. 12, \$8; Opportunity No. 12, \$6; Opportunity No. 13, \$8; Opportunity No. 14, \$6; Opportunity No. 15, \$6; Opportunity No. 15, \$6; Opportunity No. 16, \$6; Opportunity No. 17, \$6; Opportunity No. 18, \$6; Opportunity No. 18, \$6; Opportunity No. 18, \$6; Opportunity No. 18, \$6; Opportunity No. 19, leased by the British authorities at

aboard. . Oscar II is expected to read

## RECTOR WHO WILL PRESIDE AT WILSON-GALT WEDDING



Rector of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church.

# MONTENEGRO LINES HITS

ported.

lieved Immune From Attack.

no further assistance was needed.

of the cargo may be salvaged.

Levenpool Had Cargo

Of Lard and Bacon for

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.-The Belgian

relief ship Levenpool salled from New

York on November 24 with 6,540 tons of

lard and bacon for relief work in Bel-

No members of the relief commission were on board. She carried only her

SUBMARINE VICTIM

built in 1884, and displaced 5.301 tons.

Presumably she was sunk in the Medi-

terranean.

gium, destined for Rotterdam.

Relief of the Belgians

May Salvage Cargo.

for by English contributions. If reports

that the ship has been beached are!

Advance Along Seventy-Mile Vessel, Under Charter to Ameri-Front With Re-enforcements and Heavy Artillery.

PARIS, Dec. 17.-Austria has sent rein New York this morning, and are enforcements into Montenegro and is herief ship Levenpool from New York chance to comply with the American pushing with great energy her campaign has been mined or torpedoed. She was demands, it is stated.

resisting stubernly along the Lim river.

Inhabitants of Eastern Montenegro are | near Kentishknock, fleeing before the approach of the Aus-Woodrow Bones, the President's niece; trian army which now occupies a front and Dr. Cary Grayson, the President's extending from twenty to thirty miles and a cornedo boat was standing by, the within the Monteregrin frontier.

#### Fighting In Albama.

At the same time, furious fighting has been resumed between Bulgarians and Serbs in Albania. Three thousand Bulgarian troops forced a crossing of the river Drin ofter a two days' battle in a severe snewstorm. The Serbs brought up re-enforcements and threw the Bulgars back on the following day. Athens dispatches today reported that

150,000 Bulgarian and German troops are now massed at Giegveii and Dolran. To these forces will soon be added 50,000 Austrians advancing from Krivolak Heavy artillery is being moved south-(Continued on Page Fourteen.)

## UTILITIES BOARD HAS REPORT ON PHONES

Results of Investigation on Quality of Service to Be Made Public Soon.

Following a voluntary reduction rates, announcement was made by the Public Utilities Commission today of an nvestigation of the service furnished by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company.

While there have been comparatively few complaints, it was stated, it was stated, it was decided to investigate and report on the decided to investigate and report on the question that her identity might be telephone service, this being the pro-cedure in regard to other public utili-

ties.

The report of E. B. Hartley, who conducted the investigation, is in the hands of the commission, but will not be made public until acted upon. It relates, it is understood, to the prompiness with which calls are answered and connections and the connections are answered and to the breaking. LONDON, Dec. 17.—The Ford peace up for consideration by the commission at its next meeting. December 22.

#### Senate Committee Favors Diplomatic Nominees Porto Said has been sunk by a sub-

Confirmation of Counselor Polk, of the State Department, Minister Russell to Santo omingo, and Minister Curtis, a New York nerro, to Liberia, was order-ed today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

#### Ancona note was laid before the Cabinet today That it failed in every way to meet the demands of the United States; that it was evasive and

totally unsatisfactory; and that it appears to reflect a total indiference to the reminder in the merican note that "the good relations between the two countries must rest upon a common regard for the principles of humanity," were the conclusions forced upon the President and his advisers.

On all sides there is evidence that the American Government regards the outlook as grave and threatening. It is conceded that unless there is a quick and radical change of front on the part of the Austrian government, a severance can Commission. Was Beof diplomatic relations is in-

ROTTERDAM. Dec. 17.-The Belgian But Austria will be given one more

to capture or annihilate the Monte- in a sinking condition when last re- Another note will be sent to Ambassagor Penfield for delivery to the for-Dispatches provived here today said A second dispatch received here said eign office at Vienna. To all intents and and Miss Wilson, will motor to wash- the Austrians are advancing on a sev- the Levenpool did not sink, but was purposes it will be an ultimatum. Austrigton from their home in Baltimore enty-mile front. The Montenegrins are beached on Mucking flats. The British steamer Nyroco, arriving 1f she can show beyond question of but lack heavy artillery and ammuni- here today, reported that she passed doubt that her own original version of the Levenbool in a sinking condition the attack on the Ancona was wrong; that the Ancona was not standing still mear Kentishknock. Her crew, officers of the Nyroco said, discuss such contradictory evidence as were taken off by the steamer Pandoin she may present.

and a cornedo boat was standing by, the Nyroco officers said and signaled that response will take on much more added significance than heretofore. Austria will be told, in short, that unless immediate satisfaction is forthcomina uniformatic relations between the two countries will be broken. It is understood here that the foodstuffs aboard the relief ship were paid

#### Official Text Read.

The official text of the Austrian refound to be true, it is possible that part ply, received this morning, was sent to the White House after the Cabinet The Levenpool is owned by the Pool Shirping Company of West Hartlepool, of England, but was under charter to the American commission for the relief of Belgium. When she left New York she flew the Belgian relief flag, under which she was supposedly immune from attack by any belligerent.

She displaced 4.884 tons, and was built in 1911.

The White House after the Cabinet bad been in session about thirty minutes. Up to that time all that Sectorary of State Lansing had to present included the press outline of the note, printed yesterday; a brief resume from morning. Mr. Penfield's report of yesterday concerning the general feeling in Lansing's own informal report of his "conversations" yesterday with Baron Zwiedinek, the Austrian charge.

The disappointment which all this in-

The disappointment which all this heformation created is understood not to have been dissipated to any extent by the note itself, which was taken to the White House by a messenger.

The situation, as the American Government sees it, is that Austria has

### (Continued on Page Eighteen.) REBEL CHIEFS MAY DEPORT GEN. VILLA

were on board. She carried only her regular crew

Eccause she was fiving the commission's flag, officials expressed do by ted day that she was torpedoed and felt that if she net with a mishab, it was due to striking a mine.

The Levenpool was fully emipred with side banners, deck banners and signal boards, indicating to belligerent vessels that she was a relief ship, officers of the commission said when the United Press fulletin was read to them. In addition she carried 5, full lighting Northern Mexico Leader Virtually a Prisoner of His Lieutenants at Chihuahua.

El. PASO, Tex., Dec. 17.-Gen. Francisco Villa, virtually a prisoner of his eleven generals at Chihuahua, today faces removal as leader of the reners and possibly deportation from Mexico. Villa is considered a failure by his followers, who are still determined to age warfare against the recognized arranza government. They are re-Wage warfare against the recognized Carranza government. They are reported to be meeting in Chihushua to decide whether to select his successor. In case he is deposed, he will be taken under guard to the United States and told never to return to Mexico.

Since his arrival at Chihushua last Wednesday, Villa has remained secluded at the home of his "church" wife. Senora Luzcoraal de Villa, His which port she was registered. She was built in 1884, and displaced 5.301 tons. the plan of future opposition to Carranza. They have decided to inauguranza. They have decided to inaugu-rate a campaign in southern Mexico.